

# E-HAPPENINGS

## WESTERN NEVADA COLLEGE

January 2012

### NEWS AND EVENTS



#### **WNC Students Embrace the Giving Spirit**

The Associated Students of Western Nevada College went all out to give back to the community this holiday season. The students made blankets to support Project Linus, which strives to comfort seriously ill or traumatized children with blankets; volunteered at the Northern Nevada Food Bank and the KTVN food drive; collected gloves and hats for Advocates to End Domestic Violence; shopped with children during 'Holiday with a Hero;' and provided gifts to more than 30 WNC students in need.

<http://www.wnc.edu/news/2011-12-28a.php>

#### **WNC Fallon Offering Advisement Day on Wednesday, Jan. 18**

Faculty and staff at the Fallon campus will welcome students and potential students who have questions about college to an Advisement Day on Wednesday, Jan. 18, 11 a.m.-2 p.m., and 4-6 p.m. New students can also attend a free orientation on Tuesday, Jan. 17, 5-7 p.m. in the Beck Library. Information: 423-7565.

#### **Here's Your Chance to Volunteer in the Community**

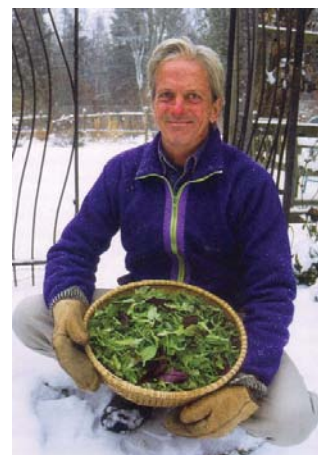
Western Nevada College will host a Volunteer Fair on Wednesday, Jan. 18, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. at the Carson City campus. The goal of the fair is to promote volunteerism and educate WNC employees and students, and other community members about local groups that need volunteers who will help them provide their good works in the community. <http://www.wnc.edu/news/2011-12-05a.php>

#### **Noted Author Eliot Coleman To Headline Organic Farming Workshops**

The WNC Specialty Crop Institute welcomes Eliot Coleman, author of "The New Organic Grower, Four Season Harvest and Winter Harvest Handbook," for several farm workshops.

**Saturday, Feb. 11, 9 a.m.- 3:30 p.m.:** Reno High School. Focuses on practices to help lengthen the growing season for small farms and commercial enterprises. \$75 before Friday, Jan. 27, or \$85 after January 27. Lunch is included.

**Sunday, Feb. 12, 10:30 a.m.-noon or 1:30-3 p.m.:** Rail City Garden Center, 1720 Brierley Way, Sparks. The 90-minute workshops will help home gardeners learn ways to extend their growing season. Different topics will be covered. \$45 per session before Friday, Jan. 27, or \$50 after January 27. <http://www.wnc.edu/ce/sci/>



## IN THE ARTS

### Open Auditions for *Pajama Game* on Tap

The Western Nevada Musical Theatre Company announces open auditions for *Pajama Game*, Tuesday, Jan 10, in Carson Nugget Community Hall in the Aspen Building at Western Nevada College's Carson City campus. Singing and acting auditions for featured roles will be at 6 p.m. and auditions for ensemble parts will be at 8 p.m. Dance troupe auditions are scheduled for 6:30 p.m., Thursday, Jan. 12. <http://www.wnc.edu/news/2011-12-20a.php>

### Three New Art Exhibits to Open in February

Art Professor/Gallery Director Sharon Tetly has been more than a little busy preparing for the opening of three new art exhibits in the Bristlecone Building at WNC Carson City. Beginning on February 6, the Main Gallery will feature "Desire and the Landscape" by Sarah Whorf, an associate art professor in printmaking at Humboldt State University, California. In the Atrium Gallery, mixed media digital prints will help reveal the natural world, in an exhibit by Susan Kotler. In the College Gallery, a special tribute to English & Creative Writing Professor Marilee Swirczek will include the literary work of her creative writing students, members of the Lone Mountain Writers group, and the Ash



*'Droplets' by Doug Deacy*

Canyon Poets. It will also feature digital photography by another student and artist, Doug Deacy.

### Fallon Gallery Invites Community to Art Reception

The public is invited to a free art reception, Wednesday, Jan. 25, 4-6 p.m. at the Fallon Gallery to recognize the contributors of the current exhibit, "Great Basin Spaces; A Photographic Survey." The exhibit was organized by the Nevada Arts Council, a division of the Nevada Department of Cultural Affairs. It is part of the Nevada Touring Initiative, a traveling exhibition program funded by the National Endowment for the Arts and the Nevada Legislature. <http://www.wnc.edu/news/2011-11-23b.php>



*"Bodie Bulletholes" by Nolan Preece*

## CAMPUS CORNER

### Employees Show Support For WNC Foundation

The annual college Employee Giving Campaign raised \$19,482, bringing total employee contributions to the WNC Foundation of \$65,727. The campaign lifted employee giving by 8%, raising the percentage of employees participating to 54%. Anyone interested in contributing to the WNC Foundation, which helps fund many college projects, may contact the Foundation at 445-3240.

***Tuesday-Friday, Jan. 17-20***

## **Free Faculty & Staff Development Sessions Coming Up**

The college's academic and administrative departments have teamed up to offer four days of professional development programming prior to the spring semester. They will originate from the Carson City campus, with interactive video to the Fallon campus for nearly every workshop. More than a dozen unique sessions will be offered, in addition to a variety of benefits meetings, and a community Volunteer Fair in the Bristlecone Building, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 18. Registration specifics will be sent out by e-mail.

Sessions will include:

**Relationship Between Gangs, Drugs & Graffiti:** Learn about the relationship between gangs, drugs and graffiti in the Carson City and surrounding areas.

**Selling the Impossible: How Advertising Shapes the Ideals We Strive For:** Examines connections between advertising and sexism, eating disorders, and gender violence.

**Turnitin:** Covers the specifics of using Turnitin originality reports (including taking a look at ways students can try to fool Turnitin), e-rater, how to set up Turnitin in Moodle, and, if time allows, how to use rubrics and grade papers that have been submitted to Turnitin.

**Proactive Guidelines to Protect Yourself on Campus:** Offers self-defense tips, descriptions of emergency alerts, emergency responses, and available resources for crises.

**Stress Management:** Offers ways to reduce stress both at work and home.

**Moodle/Respondus:** See how to use Respondus to write, format and upload test questions for an online Moodle course.

**Chat with the VPs:** Take this opportunity to meet with the Vice Presidents and ask questions about the college (i.e. project updates, financial status, etc.).

**Sexual Harassment:** Review the policy against sexual harassment discrimination. **NOTE:** This workshop is mandatory for ALL employees. Please pre-register with Brenda Yenkele at 4233 or yenkeleb@wnc.edu as space is limited to 35 for each class.

**Student Employee Assessment Tool:** WNC will implement the tool this semester. Learn how to use the tool with the students, and general procedures. **NOTE:** Mandatory for anyone who supervises student workers and who has not already attended.

**IAV Training:** Learn what is available and how to use the equipment in IAV rooms.

**Campus Disabilities Services:** Learn what services are available for students.

**Family Medical Leave Act:** An overview of what the Family Medical Leave Act is and how to utilize it when needed for supervisors and employees.

**Contract Review:** Review the procedure for processing contracts (a.k.a. Memorandum of Understanding, Agreements, Service Agreement, etc.). Anyone who handles contracts in their departments is highly encouraged to attend.

**Campus Tutoring & Mentoring Services:** Learn about the tutoring and mentoring services available to students.

**New Employee Orientation:** For those employees who joined WNC since September 1.

**Volunteer Fair:** WNC's inaugural Volunteer Fair will identify the different types of local non-profit organizations that need a helping hand. Fairs will also be held on the Douglas and Fallon campuses at a later date.



### **Talent Show Funds College Scholarships**

More than 300 people attended the recent WNC Latino Student Club talent show, which featured 20 variety acts. The successful event raised more than \$1000 to fund WNC scholarships.

LSC advisor Lupe Ramirez said, "Businesses in the community were generous with donations for raffles and prizes, and the event was a lot of fun for the community and our students."

### **Employees Recognized for Work on iNtegrate Project**

Dean of Student Services John Kinkella recently recognized the many WNC faculty and staff members who contributed the success of the new online student



registration system.

Kinkella commemorated the successful iNtegrate project rollout and myWNC student registration system launch with a dessert reception. Employees also received a medal of appreciation from the NSHE iNtegrate team. Pictured are project contributors who attended the reception.

### **Child Development Center Full-Time Spaces Available**

The Child Development Center at WNC Carson City has spaces available this spring for students or employees. There are full-time spaces available for children 3-4 years old and 4-5 years old. Information: 445-4362.

### **Douglas Street Banner Promotes Registration For Classes**

WNC has received permission to fly a banner over Highway 395 in Gardnerville to promote registration for Douglas campus classes. The banner will hang Monday-Sunday, January 16-22, and will be available for subsequent registration periods.

**WESTERN NEVADA COLLEGE**  
DOUGLAS CLASSES BEGIN SOON!



**REGISTER NOW**  
ON THE COLLEGE WEBSITE



# WILDCATS ATHLETICS

## Wildcats Baseball and Softball Getting Ready for Action



The Wildcats baseball and softball teams are preparing for the 2012 season, and that means it's time to get Wildcat spirit! The teams begin play in late January, but they are already seen working out on campus and on the field. WNC is a Division 1 member of the National Junior College Athletics Association and competes in one of the most challenging leagues in the nation. Teams come to Carson City from Utah, Idaho, Colorado and southern Nevada, and WNC's baseball team has been nationally ranked for several years in a row! Time to cheer on the Wildcats!

This spring, both Wildcats teams face five weeks of play on the road before they each return to Carson City for home openers Friday-Saturday,

March 2-3 (Softball) and Friday-Saturday, March 9-10 (Baseball). Students, faculty and staff are admitted free with a valid WNC ID card.

Baseball Schedule: <http://www.wnc.edu/athletics/baseball/2012/schedule/>

Softball Schedule: <http://www.wnc.edu/athletics/softball/2012/schedule/>

## SAVE THE DATE

**Monday, Jan. 16:** Martin Luther King Day holiday, college closed

**Tuesday, Jan. 17:** New Student Orientation, noon-1:30 p.m. Marlette Hall, Carson

**Tuesday, Jan 17:** New Student Orientation, 5-7 p.m., Virgil Getto Hall, Fallon

**Wednesday, Jan. 18:** New Student Orientation, 5:30-7 p.m., Marlette Hall Carson

**Tuesday-Friday, Jan. 17-19:** Professional Development Week for Faculty/Staff

**Monday, Jan. 23:** Spring semester begins